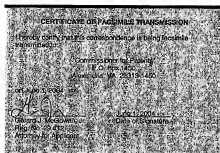


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Sir:

The following reply is responsive to the Decision on Appeal mailed March 31, 2004. Reexamination and reconsideration of the subject application, pursuant to and consistent with 37 CFR §1.112, are respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.